

Board of Health – Town of Spencer *Minutes*

Board of Health Meeting Monday, January 11, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. Conference Room B Memorial Town Hall

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Board of Health Members present: Dan Shields, Jesselyn Gaucher & Jennifer Konisky Board of Health Agent present: Lisa Daoust

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes: December 6, 2021 - A motion to approve the minutes (Shields/Gaucher) passed 3/0.

LUA - 56 Borkum Road, Powell: 1' vertical reduction from the bottom of SAS to seasonally high ground water. The members looked at the plans.

A motion to accept the plans (Shields/Konisky) passed 3/0. All in favor: Gaucher-Aye, Konisky-Aye, Shields-Aye.

LUA - 31 Pine Acres, Matheson: SAS 81' to owners well: owners well is 94' to abutters SAS. The members looked at the plans.

A motion to accept the plans (Shields/Gaucher) passed 3/0. All in favor: Gaucher-Aye, Konisky-Aye, Shields-Aye.

LUA - 269 Charlton Road, Gustafson: 2' offset to seasonal high groundwater. The members looked at the plans.

A motion to accept the plans (Shields/Konisky) passed 3/0. All in favor: Gaucher-Aye, Konisky-Aye, Shields-Aye.

Other Business: New Public Health Nurse – Cheryl Rawinski resigned as the Public Health Nurse. Sharon Granahan will replace Cheryl. Ms. Daoust gave Ms. Granahan's resume to the Board for review. One of the members wanted to know how much the pay rate was for the nurse. Ms. Daoust said it is a part-time job at \$55.00 an hour working from home on the phone and computer. The Board was in agreement on the hourly rate for the public health nurse. Mr. Shields mentioned Ms. Rawinski did a phenomenal job for the town as the nurse and welcomes Ms. Granahan.

COVID Cases: The cases in town since August 1, 2021 have been 883. The cases since January 1, 2022 have been 211. There are \$7,528 people fully vaccinated in Spencer, which is 66% of the town's population. There are \$3,123 people boostered, which is 27% of the population. The Selectman voted last night for Ms. Daoust to order 720 test kits for the towns employees that will cost \$7200. Ms. Daoust is trying to get the Public Health nurse a laptop and cell phone. The federal government gave many towns ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds to use. The Town of Spencer received 3.5 million dollars. We have until December 2024 to allocate it. Jeff Bridges, the Town Administrator, introduced himself to the board.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m. (Shields/Konisky) 3/0 passed. All in favor: Gaucher-Aye, Konisky-Aye, Shields-Aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Green

Board of Health Clerk